Office Veteran Michael Scott To Leave Before Season Finale

In low-key send off, veteran boss Michael Scott (Steve Carell) said his farewell to both The Office, and Scranton. After becoming engaged to his long-time love interest, Holly Flax, Michael boarded a plane to Colarado, leaving behind Dunder Mifflin in the incapable hands of DeAngelo Vickers (Will Ferrell), and taking our hearts with him.  
  
Seven-season self-proclaimed “Best Boss” Michael Scott has delighted a generation. From his cringe-inducing awkward antics, to his lightning-fast often inappropriate “That’s what she said”’s, to his nonsensical made-up words of wisdom, Michael has both enchanted and enriched the lives of people everywhere.

“No one can say, ‘I don’t like The Office, so I don’t like Michael Scott.’ It just can’t be done,” said Junior Tim Egan. “I can say with all honesty that Michael Scott is my idol, as seen in my daily use of ‘That’s what she said,’ and it is my sincere hope that I one day grow up to be just like him.”

Michael’s departure has had a profound effect on the students of Charlotte Catholic:  
  
"I have followed the office since season one. I've laughed, I've cried...from laughing too hard. But the tears that welled in my eyes during the final minutes of Steve Carell's presence were a mixture of joy and sadness,” said Junior Katie Riddle.

“ Though his character was insane and often times idiotic, I grew to love that guy and rely on his comedic pranks every Thursday night. So here's to Michael Scott, of whom the office can just not be the same without."  
  
Office-fans should not let the disappointment get to them just yet however, as the list of potential Michael Scott replacements appears incredibly promising; just a handful of the hopefuls include: Ray Romano, Ricky Gervais (the creator of the Office and star of the British series), Jim Carey, and Rhys Darby (the loveable band-manager from The Flight of the Conchords). The creators of the show have also announced that they have no intention of ending the show any time soon, so there are more planned laughs to come.

As a final farewell to this beloved character, we leave you with some of Michael Scott’s finest sayings. Ride on, Michael:   
  
“My philosophy is basically this. And this is something that I live by. And I always have. And I always will. Don't ever, for any reason, do anything to anyone, for any reason, ever, no matter what. No matter ... where. Or who, or who you are with, or where you are going, or ... or where you've been ... ever. For any reason, whatsoever.”

“I love babies. I think they are beautiful in all sorts of different ways. I try to pick up and hold a baby every day, if possible, because it nourishes me. It feeds my soul. Babies are drawn to me. And I think it’s because they see me as one of them. But … cooler and with my life put together a little bit more. If a baby were president, there would be no taxes. There would be no war.”

“Presents are the best way to show someone how much you care. It is like this tangible thing that you can point to and say, ‘Hey man, I love you this many dollars-worth.’”

“Games have the power to distract people from stressful situations. Battleship got me through my parents' divorce. Operation got me through my vasectomy. I don't think I would have been able to endure my breakup with Holly if it had not been for Toss Across."